

FILE DESCRIPTION

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SUBJECT Thomas L. Black

FILE NO. 65-61847

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Serial	Date	Description (Type of communication, to, from)	No. of Pages		Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited)
			Actual	Released	
512	6-22-53	re: 3rd Party NY letter to HQ	3	-	Referral
6	7-24-53	RE: 3rd party HQ letter to Legat	2	2	
6	6-29-53	RE: 3rd Party NY letter to HQ	1	1	
7	6-29-53	w/ copy of cover page NY report to HQ RE: 3rd party	35	-	Referral
8	7-7-53	RE: 3rd Party HQ letter to HQ	1	1	
NR	7-23-53	HQ letter to PH RE: 3rd party	1	1	
9	7-27-53	WFO report to HQ RE: 3rd Party	6	-	Referral
9	7-21-53	copy of above	6	-	Referral
10	8-13-53	RE: 3rd Party PH letter to HQ	1	1	
11	8-12-53	w/ copy of cover page PH report to HQ RE: 3rd party	3/1	3/1	
12	7-31-53	CG letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	2	2	
121	8-19-53	copy of cover page NY report to HQ	2/1	-	Referral

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13	9-11-53	w/ copy cover page NY report to HQ RE: 3rd party	14/1	14/1	
14	8-27-53	BS letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	2	2	
14X	9-11-53	PH report to HQ w/ copy of coupon	7/1	7/1	
14X1	9-15-53	NY letter to HQ	2	2	
15	9-24-53	WFO letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	2	—	Referral
16	9-18-53	CG letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	2	2	
17	9-23-53	Leaet letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	2	2	
18	9-11-53	WFO letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	1	1	
18X	9-25-53	RE: 3rd party Bureau memo to Belmont memo	2	2	
19	10-5-53	HQ memo to LA RE: 3rd party	1	1	
20	10-3-53	w/ copy of cover page SL report to HQ RE: 3rd party	4	—	Referral
21	10-9-53	LA letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	1	1	

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22	10-29-53	RE: 3rd Party CG letter to HQ	1	1	
23	10-22-53	CG airtel to HQ RE: 3rd party	2	2	
24	10-28-53	NY teletype to HQ RE: 3rd party	3	—	Referral
25	11-5-53	RE: 3rd party w/copy compg WFO report to HQ	7/1	—	Referral
NR	10-21-53	HQ airtel to CG RE: 3rd party	4	4	
26	11-5-53	PH letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	1	1	
27	11-5-53	RE: 3rd party LA report to HQ w/copy compg	2/1	2/1	
NR	11-11-53	RE: 3rd party CG airtel to HQ	4	4	Best Copy Available
27K	11-12-53	PH report to HQ w/copy compg	2/1	2/1	
27N	11-24-53	NY report to HQ w/copy compg	8/1	—	Referral
28	11-30-53	BS letter to HQ RE: 3rd party	1	1	
29	12-11-53	w/copy compg. w/enc. NY report to HQ RE: 3rd party	17/2	—	Referral

Date: 3/28
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Serial	Date	Description (Type of communication, to, from)	No. of Pages		Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited)
			Actual	Released	
30	12-11-53	NY letter to HQ PE: 3rd party	1	1	
31	12-30-53	RE: 3rd party CG report to HQ	7	-	Referral
31	12-30-53	Copy of above	7	-	Referral
NR	1-20-54	Search Slip PE: 3rd party	2	2	
31	1-20-54	HQ memo to NY PE: 3rd party	1	1	
NR	1-1-54	CG report to HQ RE: 3rd party	41	-	Referral
32	1-22-54	w/ copy covering NY report to HQ RE: 3rd party	2/1	2/1	1

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REGISTERED AIR MAIL

Date: July 24, 1953

To: Liaison Representative
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

From: Director, FBI

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa John;

ESPIONAGE - R

b7d

Reference is made to my letter dated 8-10-53, captioned [REDACTED] was, Espionage-R, which set forth a resume of the information furnished to the Bureau [REDACTED] You will note therein that [REDACTED] New York [REDACTED]

b7d

[REDACTED] has now stated that [REDACTED] in New York City from approximately [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as being at that time between 30 and 40 years of age (if 40, well preserved); from 5 feet, 10 inches to 6 feet tall; from 150 to 160 pounds; slender build; dark complexion; dark brown hair, combed straight back (did not know if he parted hair on the side, but was sure hair was not parted in the middle); brown eyes; no glasses and appeared to be a Russian. [REDACTED] was a very intelligent man and dressed like a conservative American. [REDACTED] preferred brown suits of light materials. He had a very heavy dark beard which he always kept very closely shaved. He spoke English with a Slavic accent. [REDACTED]

b7d

COMM - 1-1
JUL 24 1953
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cc - 1 - Foreign Service Desk
DER:blb

b7d

WAB

[REDACTED] has since identified Visha as Mikhail Chaliapin, former employee of the Soviet Consulate in New York City who is known to have engaged in espionage activity. b7d

[REDACTED] was of the impression [REDACTED] was an engineer, stating [REDACTED] believed he had attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. [REDACTED] was of the impression that during a portion of the period [REDACTED] he did not live in New York City, but that he came from Boston [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED] also recalled [REDACTED] had a small oval-shaped mole located in the center of one of his cheeks. [REDACTED] the mole was light in color and easily distinguished, [REDACTED] could not state on which cheek the mole was located. [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED] also recalled that at one time [REDACTED] [REDACTED] state [REDACTED] never expressed [REDACTED] concerning this statement, but felt at that time [REDACTED] b7d

In our efforts to identify John, photographs of numerous individuals have been exhibited to [REDACTED]. Among the individuals who appeared to be logical suspects and who have been already eliminated [REDACTED] are the following: Semen M. Semenov, Stanislaw Shumousky, Anatoli Yakovlev and Arkadi Krutchkov. b7d

You are requested to arrange to have an interview conducted with [REDACTED] for the purpose of determining whether [REDACTED] may be of any assistance in identifying John. b7d

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TO
FROM
SUBJECT

Director, FBI

DATE: 6/29/53

SAC, New York

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa John;

ESPIONAGE - R

b7d

b7d

Reference is made to the report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, at New York, New York, dated 6/29/53 captioned as above.

It is suggested that the Bureau may desire to have [redacted] contacted for information which might assist in effecting an identification of [redacted].

The Bureau may also desire to consider the preparation of an artist's conception of unknown subject "JOHN".

It is noted [redacted] has remarked that the photograph of EDWIN R. GILLILAND, Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering at MIT in [redacted] is "shockingly close".

b7d

This will be considered when other immediate leads are exhausted - SEP 7-15-53

Let to [redacted] Re: [redacted]
7-24-53 DE R

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ESPIONAGE

WPG:DAH

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

SAC, New Orleans

DATE: July 7, 1953

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John

ESPIONAGE - R

Rerep of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, New York, dated June 29, 1953, setting out lead for New Orleans to contact Miss ELIZABETH BENTLEY for information which may assist in identification of the subject.

Miss BENTLEY is now residing within the New York Division. This information was furnished to the New York Office by letter dated June 12, 1953, New York File 65-14603. RUC.

CC: 2-New York (REGISTERED)

G.I.R.-10

NP:dc

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REGISTERED MAIL

JUL 16 1953

RAC, Philadelphia [REDACTED]

July 22, 1953

Director, FBI (65-61847)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, ex John

ESPIONAGE - R

b7d

Re your air-tel 7-16-53, captioned [REDACTED] was, Espionage - R, wherein you refer to the report of Special Agent Walter P. Gavin dated 6-29-53, at Chicago. You will note that the report to which you refer was made at New York, not Chicago, and bears the title of this communication. b7d

Bureau authority is granted to interview David Greenglass at Lewisburg Penitentiary to determine whether he may be of any assistance in identifying [REDACTED] "John."

cc - 2 - New York [REDACTED]

b7d

DER:dlb

NOTE: On 6-13-53, prior to the execution of the Rosenbergs, the associate warden of the Lewisburg Penitentiary refused to allow a New York agent to interview David Greenglass without permission from the Director of Prisons, James Bennett. On 6-15-53, the Philadelphia Office was instructed that agents were not to see Greenglass and were not to have any contact with the warden of the Penitentiary. On 6-23-53, Philadelphia was advised that agents could cover routine leads at Lewisburg, but that until specifically advised, no contact should be made with David Greenglass. The Rosenbergs were executed on 6-14-53, and on 7-1-53 we granted authority to Philadelphia to contact Greenglass in a routine case. The interview desired of Greenglass in instant case is of a routine nature and it is considered that no reason exists for not interviewing him.

COMM - FBI

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 8/13/53

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA [REDACTED] b7D

SUBJECT: UNSUB; wa. John; [REDACTED] b7D

ESPIONAGE - R

Please correct Bureau and New York copies of report of SA WAYNE G. HUNT dated 8/12/53 to reflect the report was made at Philadelphia rather than New York as indicated.

FCB:EAM

CC: New York [REDACTED] b2d

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK <i>P.H.L.N.</i>	DATE WHEN MADE 8/12/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/9,15;8/5/53	REPORT MADE BY WAYNE G. HUNT (JPG)
TITLE UNSUB; Wa. John; [REDACTED] <i>b7d</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

THOMAS L. BLACK, Philadelphia, Pa., stated he did not believe [REDACTED] is identical to his former superior "JOHN" and stated he did not know of anyone who is identical to him. HARRY GOLD and DAVID GREENGLASS, Lewisburg, Pa., unable to advise of the identity of [REDACTED]
b7d

- RUC -

G. I. R. - 1

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN, at Philadelphia, Pa.

THOMAS L. BLACK, admitted Soviet Agent, was questioned on July 9, 1953, concerning [REDACTED] BLACK initially mentioned he had a superior named [REDACTED] for a short period about 1939 or 1940. The description of [REDACTED] detailed recollection of this individual's habits were furnished to BLACK. He stated he did not believe this individual was identical with his superior "JOHN" for the following reasons:

1. [REDACTED] is too tall. BLACK definitely recalls that his "JOHN" was shorter than he is and he would say that he could not have been over 5'7".
b7d

2. [REDACTED] is too heavy. BLACK advised that his superior "JOHN" weighted about 140 pounds.
b7d

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PH [REDACTED] b7d

3. BLACK recalled that his superior had dark brown hair that was straight and thinning on top. He further advised that his superior "JOHN" did not give the appearance of a Russian, but rather a Sicilian and reminded him of a "Hollywood type gangster" in that he was short, soft spoken, slightly built, dark complected, but a "hard-looking person." He could not recall a small oval shaped mole on either of the cheeks of his superior.

4. BLACK advised that he is convinced from conversations he had with his superior "JOHN" that he did not have a technical education.

5. BLACK advised that judging from conversations with his superior "JOHN," he would say that he had no interest in poetry.

In conclusion, Mr. BLACK stated he did not know of anyone who might be identical to [REDACTED] b7d

A description of [REDACTED] was furnished to HARRY GOLD, Inmate, U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., and he advised that he could not recall meeting anyone answering this description and stated he had no idea as to the identity of this person. He stated he only had one superior by the name of "JOHN" and this was ANATOLI YAKOLEV, former Russian Vice Consul in New York City. b7d

Mr. DAVID GREENGLASS, Inmate, U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., advised that he has no idea as to the identity of the person who was [REDACTED] b7d

- RUC -

PH [REDACTED] b7d

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated 6/29/53, at New York.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED] - r/h. [REDACTED] - 11-16-53 DATE: July 31, 1953
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO [REDACTED] b7d 8/2/53
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT: [REDACTED] John;
[REDACTED] b7d
ESPIONAGE - R L.L.L.
Office of Origin - NEW YORK

Rerep of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated 6/29/53 at New York, wherein leads were set out to exhibit photographs of PAVEL P. KLARIN and DAVID ALEXANDROVICH UGER to [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, for possible identification of Unsub "JOHN." b7d

[REDACTED] L.L.L. was interviewed on June 23rd and July 9, 1953, at the Chicago Office by SAS CALVIN J. DANDLEY, JR., and HARRY A. WALKER before the leads in referenced report were received. [REDACTED] could not furnish any additional information that has not already been set out in instant case concerning Unsub "JOHN." b7d

At the termination of the July 9th interview arrangements were made for [REDACTED] to phone the Chicago Office on July 14, 1953 to make arrangements for another interview. On this date, [REDACTED] telephoned [REDACTED] SA HARRY A. WALKER.

[REDACTED] requested the interviews be discontinued for a short while in order that [REDACTED] b7d

On July 22, 1953, [REDACTED] telephonically contacted SA HARRY A. WALKER advising that [REDACTED] b7d

On July 30, 1953, [REDACTED] again telephonically contacted SA WALKER and stated that [REDACTED] b7d

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cc: New York (65-16301) (REGISTERED)

DIRECTOR, FBI

[REDACTED] 1019
Arrangements were made to periodically contact [REDACTED]
to determine when the interviews [REDACTED] can be resumed. b7D

[REDACTED] the leads set out in
referenced report cannot be answered for an indeterminate
length of time. The leads will be covered immediately upon
resumption of the interviews [REDACTED] b7D

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 9/11/53 21 24/53	REPORT MADE BY WALTER P. GAVIN
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: John; [REDACTED] (T)		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: T-1 advised descriptive data concerning subject agrees generally with [REDACTED] T-2 and T-3 contacted with negative results. b7d Names of Russians who attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology set forth.		
DETAILS: <i>My fall 12-53-54 12-4-53</i> At New York, New York T-1, of known reliability, advised that the descriptive data concerning subject agrees generally with the description of [REDACTED] with the following exceptions: b7d T-1 stated that [REDACTED] had a receding hairline and no mole on either of his cheeks. T-1 did not know if [REDACTED] had attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. T-1 did not know if [REDACTED] b7d T-2 and T-3, both of known reliability, were contacted concerning the possible identification of subject with negative results. Mrs. PEARL G. PURCELL, Executive Assistant to the President, Institute of International Education, 1 East 67th		
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NY [REDACTED] b7d

Street, advised that they could not locate a record of any Soviet Nationals who attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) between 1930 and 1942.

Mr. ROGER F. EVANS, Assistant Director for the Social Sciences, Rockefeller Foundation, 49 West 49th Street, and Mr. H.M. MILLER, Jr., Associate Director, Division of Natural Sciences and Agriculture, Rockefeller Foundation, 49 West 49th Street, were contacted in an effort to identify additional Soviet National who attended MIT between 1930 and 1942 with negative results.

Mr. HARRY SEIBERT, Office Manager of the law firm Simpson, Thacher and Bartlett, 120 Broadway, advised that they formerly represented Amtorg Trading Corporation, but their relationship with Amtorg terminated in 1933. Mr. SEIBERT advised that he located a file which contained a cable dated June 25, 1931 from their law firm to the United States Consul in Berlin requesting visas for PETER ELYSEVICH BOLSHAKOFF, born Samara, Boguruslan, January 22, 1899 and ILIA PETER STCHERBAKOFF, born Kazan, July 20, 1903.

It was pointed out that these visas were for a temporary visit of the aforementioned two individuals to the United States as students to attend MIT for the summer session of 1931. The communication noted that BOLSHAKOFF and STCHERBAKOFF would be associated with the Amtorg Trading Corporation.

Mr. SEIBERT also located their letter dated July 1, 1931 requesting the Visa Section of the State Department to issue visas to Soviet students destined to various technical universities in this country. This information has been previously reported.

No record of ILIA PETER STCHERBAKOFF was located in the New York indices.

The following information is from a report of SA W.H. HEYWOOD, dated November 26, 1941 at Boston, Massachusetts, entitled "AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION, ESPIONAGE - R":

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NY [REDACTED] b7d

The records in the alumni office of MIT reveal that the following Russian students attended the Institute, giving their name, the year of graduation, and as far as is known, their present location:

Miss.
I.Y. ~~TRASHUTIN~~, 1933, Krakov, U.S.S.R.
N.C. ~~ERMOLAEV~~, 1933, Leningrad, U.S.S.R.
S.M. ~~MOROSOFF~~, 1933, Leningrad, U.S.S.R.
A.G. ~~CHINTAKOV~~, 1934, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
N.A. ~~EGAROFF~~, 1937, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
A.E. ~~KURJANOFF~~, 1933, Moscow, U.S.S.R., 1939 born 2/16/01 Russia
E.I. ~~MICKOFF~~, 1932, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
I.M. ~~MURAVJOFF~~, 1932, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
V.T. ~~POUCHOFF~~, 1933, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
I.C. ~~PROTZENKO~~, 1933, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
I.Z. ~~RYZKIN~~, 1933, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
I.L. ~~SOLOVIEFF~~, 1933, Moscow, U.S.S.R. born 4/1/03 Russia
V.J. ~~TRUSELZNICH~~, 1915, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
W. ~~WANJUKOFF~~, 1912, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
N.S. ~~PENN~~, 1914, Novosibirsk, U.S.S.R.
M.T. ~~ORTIN~~, 1914, Snerdlousk, U.S.S.R.

In connection with the above list it will be noted that STANISLAV ~~SHUMOVSKY~~ attended MIT. However, his name is not listed under the list of Russians, but a check of the register of

Miss.

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NY ~~REDACTED~~ b7d

students revealed that he had registered from New York City. Therefore, it is possible that other students from Russia have attended the Institute and have registered as being from New York City or some other locality. The above list takes in all students from Russia except those who entered subsequently to the opening of the school year 1940.

SA HEYWOOD was advised at the Institute that in the school year 1931-1932 approximately 40 students from Russia had entered schools in the United States and that they had been attending schools in Germany but that conditions there were unsatisfactory and that the students had been sent to the United States. A search of the directory of students at MIT for the year 1931-1932 revealed that the following students had attended the Institute at some time during the school year 1931-1932, and in this connection it will be noted that some of these students are mentioned in the records of the alumni office, for in the event that a student had ever attended the Institute for more than a year his name would be on record in the alumni office; however, if he attended only a part of a year, there is no record of him. The directory lists the following students, but does not list any further information which would indicate their whereabouts:

Mass.

PETER ELYSSOVICH ~~BOLESHAKOFF~~

ALEXANDER PETROVICH ~~BRAGIN~~ born 8/10/78 Russia

EUGENE TAKOVLIVICH ~~BYKLEY~~ born 2/24/62 Russia

BASIL IVANOVICH ~~KOUNCHENKA~~

VICTOR KUTEMICH ~~KANDRATIS??~~

ALEXIS IVANOVICH ~~KURGANOFF~~

LEONID EVANOVICH ~~KUSHPELL~~ born 4/4/64

ISAAK LEONTIEN ~~LEVCOVICH~~

EFIM IVANOVICH ~~REDKOFF~~ born 11/15/65 Russia

NY [REDACTED] b7d

Mass.
SERGE MIKHAI BAVITCH ~~M~~ RASOFF
IVAN MATTHEW ~~M~~ RAVIOFF born 12/27/11 Russia
OMITRI KUZMICH ~~P~~ AVLENKA
EMMANUEL LEON ~~P~~ AVLA
VASILE FEODORANICH ~~P~~ OUCHCOFF
ALEXANDER ALEXANYINICH ~~R~~ ASTARTCHUK
IVAN ZAKHARONICH ~~R~~ YSKIN born 1/1/01 Russia
STANISLAW ANTONY ~~S~~ HUMOWSKY
IVAN IVANOVICH ~~S~~ ALOVIOFF
IVAN YAKOVLEVICH ~~T~~ RASHUTIN
NICOLAY GREGORY ~~E~~ RMALAU born 2/3/1900 Russia

The following information is from a Boston letter to the Bureau dated May 9, 1952, entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, BROOKS, ESPIONAGE - R". This letter made reference to a Washington Field letter to the Bureau, dated December 20, 1951, which requested that Boston review the records of MIT, Cambridge, Massachusetts, for background information concerning Soviet students named in a photostatic copy of a cablegram to the American Consul at Berlin from Simpson, Tacher, and Bartlett, which was attached.

Inquiry was made at the following offices at Massachusetts Institute of Technology without locating photographs of any of these individuals mentioned in the above cablegram:

Graduate School
Dean of Students
Alumni Office
Advisor to Foreign Students
Registrar's Office
Department of Civil Engineering

NY [REDACTED] b7d

Department of Electrical Engineering
Department of Mechanical Engineering
Placement Office of the Mechanical
Engineering Department

In addition, pertinent year books of Massachusetts Institute of Technology were reviewed without success.

The records of the Registrar of the Alumni Office, failed to reveal any information concerning GEORGE ALEXANDROVICH ANSTRAM. N.Y.

Mass.
The records of the Registrar's Office disclosed that ALEXANDER PETROVICH BRAGIN was born August 12, 1898, at Moscow, U.S.S.R. He attended MIT from 1931 to 1932 as a Special Graduate Student in Civil Engineering. His home address was listed as 576 Sredne - Kislovsky Perenlok, Moscow. His parent name was listed as PETER MICHAILOVICH BRAGIN. The alumni records revealed that mail sent to this address was returned. His previous school was listed as Moscow Institute of Transportation.

Russia
EVGENY YAKOVLEVICH BUKLEY, according to the records of the Registrar, was born February 24, 1902, at Glusk, Minsk. Mother's name was listed as Mrs. ELIZAVETA BORISOVNA BUKLEY and his home address was listed as 8/38 Malaj-Dmitrovka, Moscow. Alumni records which carry him under the name EUGENE JAKOVLEVICH BUKLEY, show that the mail sent to that address was returned in 1936. The records of the Registrar's Office further revealed that he received an E.E. Degree from Moscow Higher Technical School where he attended from 1924 to 1930. The records disclosed that he attended MIT from 1939 through 1933 and received a Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering.

NICOLAI GREGORITVICH ERMOLAEV, according to the records of the Registrar's Office was born February 3, 1900, at Tver, U.S.S.R., and his parent name was listed as GREGORY ERMOLAEVITCH ERMOLAEV. His residence was shown to be 11 Krasnoarmayskay, Leningrad, U.S.S.R. He received a degree in

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Engineering at the Leningrad Institute of Engineering and Transportation, which he had attended from 1923 to 1930. He attended MIT from 1931 through 1933 in the Civil Engineering Department but did not receive a degree. The records of the Alumni Office showed that his resident address was changed on December 23, 1935 to Roodzutak Institute of Railway Transportation, Morhdoonared "iy Prospect #9, Leningrad, U.S.S.R. These records also listed his residence as Roobinstein Street, Leningrad.

NICHOLAI NIKITIEVICH ~~KALITVYANSKY~~, according to the records of the Registrar, is carried under the name of NICHOLAS NICHITICH ~~KALITVIANSKY~~, was born December 2, 1905, at Krasny Luch, U.S.S.R. His parent name was listed as NISITER FEDOROVICH ~~KALITVIANSKY~~. His home address was listed as 1 Dachny Street, Moscow, U.S.S.R. Alumni records show that mail sent to that address on June 19, 1934 and May 17, 1936 was returned. Records of the Registrar's Office disclosed that he previously attended K.A. Timirjazeff Agricultural Academy from 1925 through 1930. He entered MIT from 1931 to 1934, receiving an M.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1934. Records of the Mechanical Engineering Department at MIT indicate that he was employed during the Summer of 1933 at Dearborn, Michigan by Autostroy Technical Bureau of the Ford Motor Company. These records also indicate the Autostroy was then represented in the United States by the Amtorg Company.

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VASILI IVANOVICH ~~KORENCHENKO~~, according to the records of the Registrar's Office was carried under the name of BASIL IVANOVICH ~~KORENCHENKO~~ and was born January 1, 1898, at Stanixa Koronovka, U.S.S.R., and his parent name was listed as IVAN L. ~~KORENCHENKO~~. His residence was 19/20 Sredny Prospekt, Leningrad, U.S.S.R. He previously attended the Leningrad Political Institute, 1923 to 1928. He attended MIT from 1931 through 1932 but did not receive a degree.

Russia ALEX IVANOVICH ~~KURGANOV~~, listed in the Registrar's Office as ALEXIS IVANOVICH ~~KURGAPOFF~~, was born March 16, 1901, at Kolomna, U.S.S.R., and his parent name was listed as IVAN ALEXEVICH ~~KURGANOFF~~, his residence was listed as 1 Dachy pr., Moscow. He had received an Engineering Degree from K.A. Timirjazeff Agricultural Academy, which he attended from 1925 to

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1930. He attended MIT from 1931 through 1933, receiving an M.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1933.

Mass.
LEONID IVANOVICH ~~KUSHPEL~~, listed in the Registrar's Office as LEONID EVANOVICH ~~KUSHPELL~~, was born April 4, 1904, place not listed. He previously attended Moscow Hiertechnical School, residence was listed as 2/3 Strominka, Moscow, U.S.S.R. Records indicated that he attended MIT for one week in the academic year of 1931-1932.

EFIM IVANOVICH ~~MEDKOV~~, listed in the Registrar's Office as EFIM IVANOVITCH ~~MEDKOFF~~, was born October 15, 1898, at Roslavl, U.S.S.R. His parent name was listed as IVAN IVANOVITCH ~~MEDKOFF~~. *Russia* His home address was listed as 7/9 Leningradsky, Slovodka, Nignay. Ulitza, Moscow, U.S.S.R. He received a degree in Engineering from Moscow Institute of Engineering and Transportation and after attended MIT from 1931 to 1933, receiving a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering.

Russia
IVAN MATV ~~EVICH~~ ~~MURAVYEV~~, listed in the Registrar's Office as IVAN MATTH ~~E~~ ~~MURAVJOFF~~, was born December 27, 1899, at Lyansk, U.S.S.R. Parent name was listed as MATTH ~~E~~ ~~IVAN~~ ~~MURAVOFF~~ ~~MARILOV~~. Residence was listed as 152 Tzovznaja, Moscow. He previously attended the Politechnical Institute, Leningrad from 1921 to 1926. He attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology 1931 to 1932 receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering in December 1932.

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VASILI FEODOROVICH ~~POUCHOFF~~, was listed in the Alumni Office as VASILE FEODOROVICH ~~POUCHACHOFF~~, and gave his address as Apartment 172, Room 52, 14 Novo Slovodsky, Moscow, U.S.S.R., from where mail was returned on March 1, 1934. The Alumni records showed that he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering, December, 1933. In 1932 "Technique", MIT Year Book, listed his name as VASILITVICH ~~FEODOR~~ ~~POUCHOFF~~ but failed to carry a picture of this individual.

Mass.
IVAN ZAKHAROVICH ~~RISKIN~~ was listed in the Registrar's Office under the name of ~~RYSKIN~~ and indicated that he was born January 1, 1901, at Tula, U.S.S.R. Parent name was listed as ZAKHAR ~~FELOPOVICH~~ ~~RYSKIN~~. His residence was listed as

Russia.

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KHOMJAKORO, near Tula, U.S.S.R. He received an Engineering Degree from the Timirjaroff Agricultural Academy after attendance from 1925 to 1930. He attended MIT from 1931 to 1933 and received an M.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Records of the Alumni Office also furnished an address for him as the Stalin Auto Plant, Moscow in 1934.

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HENRY JOHNOVICH SINOPALNIKOFF is not listed in the Registrar of the Alumni Office. It was determined that ALEXANDER SPIRIDONOVICH SOLODOON was also not listed.

Russia

IVAN IVANOVICH SOLOVIEFF was carried in the Registrar's Office under the name of SOLOVIEFF indicating that he was born June 1, 1903 in Moscow. His parent name was listed as Mrs. NASSA YAKOVLEVICH SOLOVIEFF, residence was 7/41 Armjansky Street, Moscow. He received an E.E. Degree in Moscow Institute of National Economy having attended from 1923 through 1930. He attended MIT from 1931 to 1933, receiving an M.S. degree in Electrical Engineering in December, 1933. The records of the Alumni Office show that as of January 26, 1935, he was an Assistant Professor at the Moscow Electric Engineers Institute, Korovy Brod 7, Moscow, U.S.S.R.

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IVAN YAKOVLEVICH TASHUTIN, according to the Registrar's Office was born January 18, 1906, at Gorlovka, U.S.S.R. His parent name was listed as YAKOV IGNATEVICH TASHUTIN, and his residence was listed as 3 Metalistov Street, Kharkof, Ukraine, U.S.S.R. He received an Engineering Degree from the Kharkof Institute of Technology, attending from 1925 to 1930. He attended MIT from 1931 to 1933 and received an M.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering in December, 1933.

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Russia

LEONID ZAKHAR YUSACHEV, according to the Registrar's Office, was born October 8, 1900 at Orenburg, U.S.S.R., and his parent name was listed as ZAKHAR LYDOVICH YUSACHEV. His residence was 6 Mejdunarodny, Leningrad. He attended the Institute of Transportation from 1923 to 1930 and attended MIT from 1931 to 1933 in Civil Engineering Department and did not receive a degree. The Alumni records show that mail sent to his address in Leningrad was returned July 18, 1934.

A photograph of STANISLAV SHUMOVKY or SHUMOWSKY has been exhibited to [REDACTED] in an attempt to identify unknown subject "JOHN" with negative results.

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INFORMANTS

T-1

[REDACTED], who was contacted on 8/14/53 by SA RICHARD E. BRENNAN.

T-2

[REDACTED], who was contacted on 7/3/53 by SA RICHARD E. BRENNAN.

T-3

ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY, who was contacted 7/1/53 by SA LESTER O. GALLAHER.

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MISCELLANEOUS

SA ROBERT S. PLANTZ advised that they may be available for interview about 9/15/53.

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LEADS

CHICAGO

At Chicago, Illinois

See 14
Will discuss in detail possibility of PAVEL P. KLARIN being identical with "JOHN" with [REDACTED] and again exhibit photograph of KLARIN [REDACTED] specific comments.

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Will exhibit photograph of DAVID ALEXANDROVICH UGR, was, to [REDACTED] for possible identification.

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LOS ANGELES

At Los Angeles, California

Will check indices regarding [REDACTED] and, if no reason exists to the contrary,

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NY [redacted] b7d

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LEADS (Cont'd)

will interview [redacted] for information concerning the identity of unknown subject "JOHN". b7d

SAN FRANCISCO (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is being furnished to the San Francisco Office for information purposes per Bureau instruction

WASHINGTON FIELD

See Ser 25
At Washington, D.C.

Saw Foley 9/14/53
*Will review list of Soviet Embassy and Soviet Consulate employees during period from 1933 to 1938, and send photographs of those with similar description as "JOHN" to Chicago for exhibition to [redacted] (Reference San Francisco airtel to Chicago, 3/30/53.) b7d

See Foley 9/14/53
Will check State Department records, Passport and Visa Section and Immigration and Naturalization Service records in an attempt to obtain photographs of following Russians, who formerly attended MIT:

GEORGY ALEKSANDROVICH ANSTRAM

1/22/99.
PETER ELYSSVICH BOLSBAKOFF, born Samara Buguruslav,

8/12/98.
ALEXANDER PETROVICH BRAGIN, born Moscow, Russia,

EUGENE TAKOVLIVICH BUKLEY or EUGENE YAKOVLEVICH BUKLEY
or EUGENE YAKOVLEVICH BUKLEY, born Glusk, Minsk, 2/24/02.

A.G. CHINIYAKOV

N.A. EGAROFF

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LEADS (Cont'd)

NICOLAI GREGORIEVICH ERMOLAY or NICOLAY GREGORY ERMALOV or N.C. ERMOLAEV or GREGORY ERMOLAVITCH ERMOLASV, born Tver, U.S.S.R., 2/3/00.

NICHOLAI NIKITIVICH KALITVYANSKY or NICHOLMS VICHITICH KALITVIANKY, born Krasny Luch, U.S.S.R., 12/2/05.

VICTOR KUTEMICH KANDRATIEFF

BASIL IVANOVICH KOUNCHENKA or BASIL IVANOVICH KORENCHENKO or VASSILI IVANOVICH KORENCHENCKO, born Stanixa Korenovka, U.S.S.R., 1/1/98.

ALEXIS IVANOVICH KURGANOFF or ALEX IVANOVICH KURGANOV, born Kolomna, U.S.S.R., 3/16/01.

LEONID IVANOVICH KUSHPEL or LEONID IVANOVICH KUSHPEL, born 4/4/04, place not listed.

ISAAK LEONTIEN LEVCOVICH

SERGE MIKHAILOVITCH MARASOFF

EFIM IVANOVITCH MEDKOFF or EFIM IVANOVICH MEDKOV, born Roslavl, U.S.S.R., 10/15/98.

E.I. MICLKOFF

S.M. MOROSOFF

IVAN MATTHEW MURAVIOFF or IVAN MATTHEW MURAVIOFF or IVAN MATVEVICH MURAVYEV, born Lugansk, U.S.S.R., 12/27/99.

M.T. ORTIN

EMMANUEL LEON PAVLA

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LEADS (Cont'd)

DMITRI KUZMICH PAVLENKA

N.S. PENN

VASILY FEODOROVICH POCHKOFF or VASILE FEODOROVICH
POUCHACHOFF or VASILE FEODORANICH POUCHCOFF or V.T. POUCHOFF or
VASILIEVICH FEDOR POUCHOFF.

I.C. PROTZENKO

ALEXANDER ALEXANYINICH RASTARCHUK

IVAN ZAKHARONICH RYSKIN or IVAN ZAKHAROVICH RISKIN,
born Tula, U.S.S.R., 1/1/01.

IVAN IVANOVICH SOLOVIOFF or IVAN IVANOVICH SOLOVIEFF or
IVAN IVANOVICH SOLOVIEFF, born Moscow, Russia, 6/1/03.

HENRY JOHNOVICH SINOPALNIKOFF

ALEXANDER SPIRIDONOVICH SOLODOON

ILIA PETER STCHERBAKOFF, born Riazan, 7/20/03.

IVAN YAKOVLEVICH TRASHUTIN or IVAN YAKOVLEVICH
TRASHUTIN, born Gorlovka, U.S.S.R., 1/18/06.

V.J. TRUSHLENICH

LEONID ZAKHAR USACHEV, born Orenburg, U.S.S.R.,
10/8/00,

M. WANDUKOFF

- In event photographs of any of the above individuals
are obtained, will forward them to the Chicago Office to be
exhibited to [REDACTED] for possible identification [REDACTED]

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LEADS (Cont'd)

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will review additional pertinent NY files in an effort to identify [REDACTED] b7d

REFERENCE

Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, 6/29/53, New York.

Report of SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR, 7/27/53, Washington, D.C.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK

FILE NO.

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: John; [REDACTED] b7d		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: T-1 advised descriptive data concerning subject agrees generally [REDACTED] T-2 and T-3 contacted with negative results. Names of Russians who attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology set forth. b7d		
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DETAILS: <u>At New York, New York</u>		
T-1, of known reliability, advised that the descriptive data concerning subject agrees generally with the description of [REDACTED] with the following exceptions. b7d		
T-1 stated that [REDACTED] had a receding hairline and no mole on either of his cheeks. T-1 did not know if [REDACTED] had attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. T-1 did not know if [REDACTED] b7d		
T-2 and T-3, both of known reliability, were contacted concerning the possible identification of subject with negative results.		
Mrs. PEARL G. PURCELL, Executive Assistant to the President, Institute of International Education, 1 East 67th		
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: August 21, 1953

FROM : SAC, BOSTON

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF [REDACTED]
DATE 2/22/78 [REDACTED]

Reference report of Special Agent WALTER F. GIVIN dated June 25, 1953, at New York. 100-7

[REDACTED], of known reliability, has been recontacted in an effort to secure additional information which would either eliminate or establish EDWIN GILMARD identical with [REDACTED]

This source stated that he has been acquainted with and had an opportunity to observe GILMARD [REDACTED] and that during this period he has never observed GILMARD as having the mannerism of placing his lower lip over his upper lip, as well as squeezing his lips together which resulted in the appearance of a small amount of saliva between his two lips.

He also advised that GILMARD does appear relaxed and has never been heard speaking with an accent. He was unable to furnish any information concerning GILMARD'S ability to speak the Russian language.

He also advised that he could not furnish any information relative to GILMARD'S preference for any particular type suit, [REDACTED] or whether he had any particular [REDACTED] during the 1940's.

This source advised that he had obtained large copies of photographs of GILMARD one of which was taken during 1940 in which GILMARD is wearing glasses. On the back of this photograph a small round pencil mark has been made which, if held up to the light, will show the location of the hole on GILMARD'S right cheek. Another photograph of GILMARD was also obtained which was taken during 1936. This photograph shows GILMARD without glasses.

The Chicago Office is requested to display these photographs to the informant and advise whether or not these [REDACTED] as to either positively identifying or eliminating GILMARD [REDACTED]

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GILLILAND has been recently interviewed by Special Agents FRANK I. WILLETTE and WILLIAM J. McGRATH, JR., of the Boston Office, on separate occasions in connection with applicant type interviews. During these interviews GILLILAND did not appear to have the mannerism of squeezing his lips together [REDACTED] had. b7d

The mole which is located on GILLILAND'S right cheek did not appear to be noticeable and appeared to be the size of the eraser on a pencil or possibly slightly smaller than that.

No further data was obtained during these interviews of GILLILAND.

It is to be noted that GILLILAND resided in Washington, D. C., from 1942 through 1945, where he was employed by the War Production Board as Assistant Rubber Director in charge of Research and Development.

Washington Field is requested to review the personnel file of EDWIN GILLILAND at National Archives and determine whether GILLILAND in his capacity as an official of the War Production Board had occasion to travel periodically to New York City.

Mass. ny. 1-c
At the present time an applicant type investigation is being conducted on EDWIN RICHARD GILLILAND under the caption AEA-E, 17793-NY, Bureau File 116-12676. During the investigation which has been conducted at Boston, Massachusetts, no information of a derogatory nature has been ascertained. *Pul*

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA	DATE WHEN MADE 9/11/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/3/53	REPORT MADE BY (AEE) MAURICE C. CARROLL
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. JOHN; THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Photographs of possible suspects for unknown subject, wa. JOHN, shown to BLACK without effecting identification of unknown subject or any other of BLACK's unknown Soviet superiors. NATHAN EINHORN unknown to BLACK.

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DETAILS: At Philadelphia, Pa.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF discl
DATE 2/22/78 AP/CS

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ALEXANDER IVANOVICH PAPUSHIN
DMITRI IVANOVICH ZAIKINE
VICTOR ALEKSEEVICH FEDUCHIN
PAVEL PANTELEIMONOVICH KLARIN
ILIA M. SARAYEV

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The background and descriptive data of NATHAN EINHORN was discussed with BLACK, and he advised that EINHORN was unknown to him.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA ARTHUR E. NEUBAUER, 8/19/53, New York.

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The background and descriptive data of NATHAN EINHORN was discussed with BLACK, and he advised that EINHORN was unknown to him.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59452)

DATE: 9/15/53

FROM : SAC, New York (65-15415)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: John;
THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant
ESPIONAGE - R

It has been noted that there is an interesting similarity between the description and background of AMADEO SABATINI, deceased former espionage agent

and Unsub JOHN.

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SABATINI was born in Italy in 1909, was brought to the US as a minor, and during the 1930's he was in France and Spain. He returned to the US in November, 1938, and from 1939 to 1943 he worked under JOSEPH KATZ in NYC. In January, 1943 to January, 1944 he worked under GRIGORI KHEIFETS, USSR Vice Consul in San Francisco. While SABATINI and IRVING GEORGE SCHUMAN were engaged in surveilling WALTER KRIVITSKY in NYC in 1939 under the direction of JOSEPH KATZ, they were given about \$400 in cash with which to purchase peanut vending machines, and for a few months they operated a small vending machine business together. These machines were placed in various candy stores, pool rooms and bowling alleys, and they discontinued the vending machine business a short time after they were taken off the KRIVITSKY surveillance.

In 1944 SABATINI was described as: height, 5'4½"; weight, 170; hair, brown; eyes, brown; foundry worker; slight Italian accent; poor education. It has been stated that he appeared taller than his actual height due to his build.

The above information concerning SABATINI compares with Unsub JOHN in this respect: According to BLACK, JOHN was his superior for a short period in 1939 or 1940 and was chiefly interested in Trotskyite activities. JOHN had a hard-looking face, generally associated with that of a gangster. (This compares with SABATINI's photo.) JOHN displayed an interest in shooting galleries, pinball machines, and amusement centers. He appeared to have some education. He could be any nationality although he was possibly Sicilian. He spoke with a slight accent. He never made any mention of having a family in the US. When he severed contact with BLACK, he indicated he was leaving the East, and left the impression he was going to the West Coast to work.

BLACK described JOHN as being: age, in late 30's or early 40's; (in 1939); height, 5'7"; weight, approximately 150; hair, straight, black or very dark brown; complexion, dark; eyes, brown.

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BLACK's descriptions have been known to be inaccurate in the past so it is not believed that the above difference in height between JOHN and SABATINI eliminates SABATINI.

A review of NY files has failed to disclose that the photo of SABATINI was ever exhibited to BLACK though it is reflected that the description of Unsub JOHN [REDACTED] b7d

Philadelphia is requested to exhibit the enclosed photograph of SABATINI to BLACK and to discuss SABATINI's background and description with BLACK for a possible identification of Unsub JOHN.

ALREADY DONE WITH
NEGATIVE RESULTS.
SEE SERIAL 16.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61247)

DATE: September 18, 1953

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO () b7d

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa. John

ESPIONAGE - R

OO: New York

Rerep of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, June 29, 1953, at New York, wherein leads were set out to exhibit photographs of PAVEL P. KLARIN and DAVID ALEXANDROVICH UGER to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, for possible identification of Unknown Subject, wa., "JOHN". b7d

Reference is also made to Chicago letter to Bureau dated July 31, 1953, wherein it was stated that due to a [redacted] the lead set out in referenced report could not be answered for an undetermined length of time. b7d

On August 7, 1953, [redacted] advised SA HARRY A. WALKER that [redacted] b7d

HAW:CP

REGISTERED MAIL

cc: (1) New York () (REGISTERED) b7d

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa., John

ESPIONAGE - R

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On September 4, 1953, [REDACTED]
advised SA HARRY A. WALSH that the subject [REDACTED]

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If these plans materialize, the subject will [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] on or about [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] he stated that he feels that the
interviews should be able to continue after the subject
[REDACTED]

In view of the information supplied by [REDACTED]
the Chicago Office will, if [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] plan to interview [REDACTED] a short while
after this date. The lead set out in referenced New York
report will be covered in the initial interview. b7d

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

~~SECRET~~ AIR COURIER

Date: September 23, 1953
To: Director, FBI (64-61847)

From: Liaison Representative
Ottawa, Canada [REDACTED]

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT wa. "John"
[REDACTED]
ESPIONAGE - R

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OTHERWISE.

ReBulet July 24, 1953 furnishing information con-
cerning the unknown subject and requesting that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] be interviewed for the purpose of determining whether
[REDACTED] can be of any assistance in identifying "John". (u) b7d

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slender
dark
lt brown hair
brown eyes
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[REDACTED]

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6. alien
black hair
brown eyes
20 in '55, disc
please built
trustworthy

For information concerning previous interviews of [REDACTED] relative to Boris Michael Morros and the possibility that this individual is identical with a person named "Moross" observed by [REDACTED], please see my letter dated April 25, 1949 captioned "MOROSS, [REDACTED] 100-352385-381 ESPIONAGE-R." This letter explains the confusing and seemingly conflicting information supplied [REDACTED] relative to the individual known [REDACTED] as "Morros" or Moross and whom [REDACTED]

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No further action is being taken relative to this matter in the absence of a further request from the Bureau. (u)

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TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI ([REDACTED]) b7d

DATE: September 11, 1953

FROM :

SAC, WFO ([REDACTED]) b7d

SUBJECT:

UNSUB, wa., JMW; [REDACTED]

ESPIONAGE - R b7d

Re Boston letter dated August 27, 1953, requesting review of WPB personnel file of EDWIN B. GILLILAND at National Archives to determine whether GILLILAND had occasion to travel to New York City periodically in his capacity as an official of the War Production Board.

Inquiry at National Archives disclosed that the WPB personnel files are located at the Federal Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri. Copy of referenced letter is enclosed herewith for the St. Louis Office to assist in covering this lead.

MAT/m:d

1-CC-BOSTON ([REDACTED]) — REGISTERED MAIL
 1-CC-CHICAGO ([REDACTED]) — " "
 1-CC-LOS ANGELES ([REDACTED]) — " "
 1-CC-NEW YORK ([REDACTED]) — " "
 1-CC-SAN FRANCISCO (INFO) — " "
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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

VERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: September 25, 1953

FROM : MR. V. A. BRANIGAN

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John;

ESPIONAGE - R

(DuFile [redacted])

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Ladd _____
Nichols _____
Belmont _____
Clegg _____
Glavin _____
Harbo _____
Rosen _____
Tracy _____
Gandy _____
Mohr _____
Winterrowd _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gine _____
Miss Gandy _____

[redacted] has been interrogated by the New York Division since February 8, 1951, and has identified [redacted] during the period [redacted] principal work consisted of [redacted] of [redacted] (u) b7d

[redacted] has advised that [redacted] the unknown subject of instant case in about [redacted] and that Unknown Subject John was [redacted]

[redacted] is unable to recall the manner in which [redacted] is not sure whether [redacted] to John [redacted]

[redacted] or whether [redacted] John [redacted] arrangement, in any event [redacted] is [redacted] John [redacted]

New York to John. The manner in which [redacted] turned over was [redacted]

[redacted] stated [redacted] does not recall any specific [redacted] by John and states that although [redacted] John subsequent to the time that [redacted] that [redacted] with John were of a very general nature (u) b7d

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[REDACTED]

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The New York Division is preparing an insert for the Unsolved Situation file. (u)

A copy of this memorandum is placed in the Joseph Katz file, as well as the Unknown Subject, wa. John; [REDACTED] Espionage - R. file in order that the identification [REDACTED] will be kept in mind if Joseph Katz is incorporated and further that it will be kept in mind [REDACTED] is identified. (u) b7d

RECOMMENDATION

Since all logical investigation appears to have been conducted, it is recommended that this case be closed. (u)

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SAC, Los Angeles

October 5, 1953

Director, FBI (65-61847)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa John

ESPIONAGE - R

Re: SA Walter T. Gavin made 8-29-53, at New York and O-1 form returned by you advising a report in this case would be submitted by 8-31-53.

This report cannot be located at the Bureau. It is requested that you advise by return mail the date this report was submitted and the name of the reporting agent.

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VERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61347)

DATE: October 9, 1953

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES [REDACTED] b7d

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., John;

[REDACTED]
ESPIONAGE - R b7d

Rebulet dated October 5, 1953.

The report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated June 29, 1953, in instant case sets out a lead to interview [REDACTED] Los Angeles. b7d

This lead is also set out in the case [REDACTED] ESPIONAGE - R; Bufile [REDACTED] and by letter dated July 10, 1953, in the [REDACTED] case, the Bureau authorized the [REDACTED] interview along specific lines. b7d

This interview was conducted and reported by Los Angeles letter dated September 1, 1953, in the [REDACTED] case. A request for reinterview was made to expand the line of questioning for the purpose of developing, if possible, a connection between [REDACTED] b7d

Authority for the reinterview of [REDACTED] was granted on September 23, 1953, and, instant lead will be handled during the reinterview. b7d

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cc: [REDACTED] b7d

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-51547) *b7d*

DATE: October 29, 1953

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA. [REDACTED]

ESPIONAGE - R *b7d*

Office of Origin - NEW YORK

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Enclosed herewith for the New York Office is one copy of the report of SE EARL L. HASSELL, JR. dated October 5, 1953, at St. Louis, Missouri, in instant case.

The Chicago Office was inadvertently designated the Office of Origin in this report instead of New York. Due to this, Chicago received three copies of the report while none was designated for the New York Office.

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cc: 1-New York [REDACTED] (Encl.1) (REGISTERED MAIL)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit the following ~~TELETYPE~~ message to:

FBI, CHICAGO ~~██████████~~ 67d 10-22-53

DIRECTOR, FBI (85-61847) ✓ AM REG

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA. JOHN; ~~██~~

REREP OF SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR AT WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE DATED 7-27-53 ~~BRANISAN~~
CAPTIONED AS ABOVE, AND CHICAGO AIRTEL 10-21 LAST ENTITLED ~~██████████~~

~~██████████~~ REFERENCED AIRTEL REPORTED THAT ~~██████████~~ ON
10-20 LAST, AFTER REVIEWING A PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV,
ADVISED SAs HORACE H. WILLIS AND HARRY A. WALKER THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL
DEFINITELY HAS A FACIAL RESEMBLANCE TO ~~██~~
STATED THAT ERCHOV'S HAIR LINE, EYE BROWS, NOSE, MOUTH, AND COMPLEXION
ALL APPEAR SIMILAR ~~██████████~~ FURTHER STATED THAT DUE TO THE LENGTH
OF TIME INVOLVED, ~~██████████~~ COULD NOT DEFINITELY SAY THAT ERCHOV IS IDENTICAL
~~██████████~~ BUT FELT THAT HE SHOULD BE DEFINITELY CONSIDERED A SUSPECT.
IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT WITH THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE PRESENT
TIME AT THE CHICAGO OFFICE, ALONG WITH ~~██████████~~ COMMENTS, ERCHOV SHOULD
BE CONSIDERED A VERY GOOD SUSPECT ~~██~~

THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE CHICAGO OFFICE, WHICH IS SET OUT IN ITS
ENTIRETY IN REFERENCED REPORT, REVEALS THAT ERCHOV ENTERED ON DUTY WITH
THE AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION, NEW YORK CITY, ON JUNE 1, 1940. ~~██████████~~ 67d

HAW:SJC

cc-2- New York ~~██████████~~ (AM REG)

1- Washington Field ~~██████████~~ (Info) (AM REG) 65-61847-23 1953

Mr. Belmont

Approved: *K. W. [Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

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Transmit the following ~~DELETED~~ message to:

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[REDACTED] IN
NEW YORK CITY. ERCHOV AND [REDACTED] WERE BOTH ENGINEERS. ERCHOV ATTENDED
MIT FROM 1938 TO 1940. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION
[REDACTED] WAS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH MIT [REDACTED]

NY
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
THE NEW YORK OFFICE IS REQUESTED, THROUGH INFORMANTS AND OTHER SOURCES,
TO OBTAIN A DESCRIPTION OF ERCHOV AND, IF POSSIBLE, ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS
OF THIS INDIVIDUAL AND FORWARD SAME TO THE CHICAGO OFFICE IN ORDER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAY COMPARE THE DESCRIPTION AND ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPH OF ERCHOV

[REDACTED] NEW YORK ALSO HAS A
COPY OF REFERENCED REPORT SETTING FORTH THE INFORMATION CONCERNING ERCHOV.
NEW YORK IS ALSO REQUESTED TO INITIATE WHATEVER INVESTIGATION IS
NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH WHETHER ERCHOV IS OR IS NOT IDENTICAL [REDACTED]

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI, CHICAGO ([REDACTED])

10-21-53

DIRECTOR, FBI ([REDACTED])

REGISTERED MAIL

ESP - R. [REDACTED]

INTERVIEWED FROM 5:55 P. M.

TO 7:45 P. M. ON 10-20 LAST AT THE CHICAGO OFFICE BY SAs HORACE H. WILLIS AND HARRY A. WALKER. DUE TO THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT HAS LAPSED SINCE THE LAST INTERVIEW, [REDACTED] BY REVIEWING

FIRST TWENTYEIGHT PAGES OF THE STATEMENT [REDACTED] EDITED DURING PAST INTERVIEWS. [REDACTED] EDITED SIX MORE PAGES OF THE STATEMENT. THIS BRINGS THE STATEMENT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN NEW YORK CITY IN APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] AGAIN STATED [REDACTED] WILL CONSIDER SIGNING THE STATEMENT AFTER THE WHOLE STATEMENT IS EDITED AND THEN TYPED AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED] WILL CONSIDER SIGNING THE TYPED STATEMENT. [REDACTED] ADVISED DURING THE INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WANTS A CARBON COPY OF THIS STATEMENT. THIS WAS NOT FURTHER DISCUSSED [REDACTED] DURING THE INTERVIEW. UACB, THE CHICAGO OFFICE WILL NOTIFY [REDACTED] THAT THE BUREAU WOULD RATHER NOT ALLOW A STATEMENT OF THIS TYPE TO LEAVE THE CONFINES OF THE CHICAGO OFFICE BUT [REDACTED] COULD HAVE ACCESS TO THE STATEMENT [REDACTED] FOUND IT NECESSARY. IF [REDACTED] INSISTS ON HAN:SJC

cc-2-Bureau (1 - 65-51847) (Info) (REG) ✓
(1 - [REDACTED]) (Info) (REG)

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HAVING A COPY OF THE SIGNED STATEMENT, THE CHICAGO OFFICE, AGAIN, UACB, WILL SUBMIT A COPY TO [REDACTED] COULD NOT IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPHS OF VLADIMIR KAZAKEVICH (SUSPECT FOR UNKNOWN SUBJECT KAHN). [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] HAS NEVER SEEN THIS MAN OR ANYONE RESEMBLING HIM, FURTHER ADVISING THAT KAZAKEVICH'S NAME IS NOT FAMILIAR TO [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] KNEW NO ONE KNOWN AS EMILY, EMILY GRACE, EMILY KAZAKEVICH, MRS. KAZAKEVICH, OR MRS. VLADIMIR KAZAKEVICH. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT EMILY GRACE WAS MRS. VLADIMIR KAZAKEVICH'S MAIDEN NAME. [REDACTED] COULD NOT IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPH OF PAVEL P. KLARIN (SUSPECT FOR [REDACTED]) [REDACTED] STATED THAT IN COMPARISON [REDACTED] KLARIN'S FACE WAS MUCH HEAVIER, HIS HAIR WAS FINER, EYEBROWS WERE LIGHTER, HE HAS FAIRER COMPLEXION, AND HIS EYES ARE SET DIFFERENTLY. AS TO PROFESSOR EDWIN R. GILLILAND, MIT (A SUSPECT FOR [REDACTED]) [REDACTED] AFTER REVIEWING PHOTOGRAPHS OF PROFESSOR GILLILAND TAKEN IN 1936 AND 1948 FORWARDED BY THE BOSTON OFFICE, ADVISED THAT NEITHER PHOTOGRAPH RESEMBLED [REDACTED] AS IN THE CASE OF PROFESSOR GILLILAND'S [REDACTED] MIT YEARBOOK PHOTOGRAPH. [REDACTED] STATED THAT DUE TO GILLILAND'S BACKGROUND [REDACTED] REVIEWED IN [REDACTED] MIT YEARBOOK [REDACTED] DOES NOT POSSIBLY SEE HOW GILLILAND COULD BE IDENTICAL [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AFTER REVIEWING A PHOTOGRAPH OF DAVID UGER (SUSPECT FOR UNKNOWN SUBJECT "JOHN"), ADVISED THAT THIS MAN HAS NO FACIAL

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RESEMBLANCE [REDACTED] FURTHER STATED [REDACTED] CANNOT REMEMBER EVER SEEING OR MEETING A TYPE OF MAN SIMILAR TO THE APPEARANCE OF UGER. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT UGER, IN 1933, WAS QUITE BALD. [REDACTED] IN PAST INTERVIEWS, STATED [REDACTED] HAD A FULL HEAD OF HAIR. [REDACTED] ADVISED DURING INSTANT INTERVIEW THAT [REDACTED] COULD NOT HAVE POSSIBLY WORN A TOUPE. [REDACTED] AFTER REVIEWING A PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, ADVISED THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL DEFINITELY HAS A FACIAL RESEMBLANCE [REDACTED] STATED THAT ERCHOV'S HAIR LINE, EYEBROWS, EYES, NOSE, MOUTH, AND COMPLEXION, ALL APPEAR SIMILAR [REDACTED] STATED THAT DUE TO THE LENGTH OF TIME INVOLVED [REDACTED] COULD NOT DEFINITELY SAY THAT ERCHOV IS IDENTICAL [REDACTED] BUT FELT THAT HE SHOULD BE DEFINITELY CONSIDERED A SUSPECT. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT WITH THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE PRESENT TIME TO THE CHICAGO OFFICE, ALONG WITH [REDACTED] COMMENT, ERCHOV SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A VERY GOOD SUSPECT [REDACTED] THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE CHICAGO OFFICE REVEALS THAT ERCHOV ENTERED ON DUTY WITH THE AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION, NEW YORK CITY, ON JUNE ONE, 1940. [REDACTED] IN NEW YORK CITY. ERCHOV AND [REDACTED] WERE BOTH ENGINEERS. ERCHOV ATTENDED MIT FROM 1938 TO 1940. [REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION

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[REDACTED] WAS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH MIT [REDACTED]

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~~AN REPORT WILL BE DICTATED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE IN THE UNKNOWN SUBJECT~~

LEADS
"JOHN" CASE AND LEADS WILL BE SET OUT TO FURTHER IDENTIFY ERCHOV AND HIS
ACTIVITIES. [REDACTED] DURING INSTANT INTERVIEW, APPEARED TO BE MORE AT

EASE THAN [REDACTED] TILL, HOWEVER, IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONTACTED DURING THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER ELEVEN LAST. DUE TO THIS [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED [REDACTED] COULD
TERMINATE THE INTERVIEW [REDACTED] FELT IT ADVISABLE. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT
DUE TO THE FACT THAT [REDACTED] IS IN A MUCH BETTER
POSITION [REDACTED] OF BUSINESS TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS [REDACTED] TO APPEAR
AT THE CHICAGO OFFICE [REDACTED] THAT THE APPOINTMENTS SHOULD CONTINUE TO
BE MADE [REDACTED] ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR [REDACTED] TO BE AGAIN
INTERVIEWED DURING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER TWENTYFIVE NEXT. [REDACTED]

WILL BE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED ON OCTOBER TWENTYTHREE NEXT FOR THE
PURPOSE OF MAKING AN APPOINTMENT [REDACTED]. THE BUREAU WILL BE
ADVISED BY AIRTEL OF THE RESULTS OF THE NEXT INTERVIEW.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 11/5/53

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. John;

ESPIONAGE - R

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Re Boston air-tel dated 10/30/53 requesting Philadelphia to forward photograph of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV to Chicago for display to informant.

Referenced air-tel reflected that this photograph was forwarded to Philadelphia as an enclosure to the report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS entitled, "UNSUB, wa. Fred; HARRY GOLD, Informant; ESPIONAGE - R", dated 2/4/53 at New York.

The above photograph is being transmitted herewith as an enclosure for the Chicago Office. It is to be noted that the name on the above photograph is carried as NICHOLAS ERSHOV. RUC.

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cc: Chicago () (Registered Mail) (Encl.)
Boston () (Registered Mail) (Info)
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 11/5/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/21/53	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS. D. COOLEY
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. JOHN; [REDACTED]			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] states she never met [REDACTED] and has no knowledge of any of [REDACTED] No suspects developed.

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED] advised SA THOMAS E. BRYANT and the writer on October 21, 1953 that she had never met [REDACTED] and had no knowledge of any of [REDACTED] The subject's description was reviewed with [REDACTED] but she was unable to identify the subject and was unable to supply any individuals who might be identical with the subject.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
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SLIP(S) OF *declared*

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[REDACTED] provided additional data concerning
[REDACTED] SAMUEL GUREVICH and relatives of GUREVICH
which is being reported in the related case entitled [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - ESPIONAGE - R", NY file [REDACTED]

REFERENCE

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Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated 9/11/53 at New York
Bulet to Los Angeles dated 10/5/53. See 19

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 11/5/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/21/53	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS D. COONEY bak
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. JOHN; [REDACTED]			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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[REDACTED] states she never met [REDACTED] and has no knowledge of any of [REDACTED] no suspects developed.

- R U C - *b7d*

DETAILS:

[REDACTED] advised SA THOMAS E. BURKE and the writer on October 21, 1953 that she had never met [REDACTED] and had no knowledge of any of [REDACTED]. The subject's description was reviewed with [REDACTED] but she was unable to identify the subject and was unable to supply any individuals who might be identical with the subject. *b7d*

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FBI, CHICAGO

NOVEMBER 10, 1953

TIME: 12:03

DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

ONE JOHN

[REDACTED] ESPIONAGE TASH R. RESULT TO CGO.

DATED NOV. FIVE, LAST; CGO. AIRTEL TO BUREAU DATED OCT.

TWENTYONE, LAST; PHILADELPHIA LETTER TO BUREAU DATED

NOV. FIVE, LAST, ENTITLED QUOTE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA., JOHN;

[REDACTED], ESPIONAGE TASH R. UNCLAS;

AND BY AIRTEL TO BUREAU DATED OCT. TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, WITH

SAME CAPTION. [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED FROM THREE FORTY P.M. TO

NINE P.M. ON NOV. NINE, LAST, AT THE CGO. OFC. BY SAs

HORACE H. WILLIS AND HARRY A. WALKER. SUBJECT IN THE PRESENCE

OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CGO., [REDACTED] SIGNED A FORTYFIVE

PAGE STATEMENT WHEREIN [REDACTED] FURNISHED BACKGROUND INFO CONCERNING

[REDACTED] AS WELL AS INFO CONCERNING [REDACTED]

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(1 - [REDACTED] (INFO) (REGISTERED)

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(1 - [REDACTED] (INFO) (REGISTERED)

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STATEMENT BUT WAS ADVISED [REDACTED] COULD HAVE ACCESS
TO THE STATEMENT [REDACTED] FOUND IT NECESSARY. THIS
MET WITH [REDACTED] APPROVAL. [REDACTED] DURING INTERVIEW, WAS
EXHIBITED TWO PHOTOGRAPHS OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV
FORWARDED TO THE CGO. OFC. IN REFERENCED PHILADELPHIA
LETTER AND REFERENCED BY AIRTEL. [REDACTED] PART [REDACTED]
COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE PHOTOGRAPH OF ERCHOV [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FORWARDED BY THE PHILADELPHIA OFC. THE
PHOTOGRAPH OF ERCHOV FORWARDED IN REFERENCED BY AIRTEL
WAS THEN EXHIBITED TO [REDACTED] THIS WAS THE SAME
PHOTOGRAPH THAT WAS ALSO FORWARDED BY THE WASHINGTON
FIELD OFC. AND INITIALLY SHOWN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INFO OF WHICH WAS SET OUT IN REFERENCED CGO. AIRTEL.
[REDACTED] FURNISHED THE BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING
ERCHOV, FORWARDED BY THE NY OFC. IN REFERENCED AIRTEL, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] VIEWED THIS PHOTOGRAPH OF ERCHOV STATED [REDACTED]
IS NOW QUOTE REASONABLY SURE UNQUOTE THAT ERCHOV IS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] EXPLAINED THAT [REDACTED] IDENTIFICATION
[REDACTED] OF ERCHOV

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[REDACTED] IS AS POSITIVE OR POSSIBLY MORE
POSITIVE [REDACTED] STATED
[REDACTED] NOW REMEMBERS [REDACTED] HAD A
MINT ENGINEERING BACKGROUND. IN REFERENCED MY AIRTEL
IT WAS REVEALED THAT [REDACTED] ^{ERCHOV} [REDACTED] RECEIVED A
DEGREE FROM THE MOSCOW MINEING COLLEGE IN NINETEEN
THIRTYNINE AND WAS A RESEARCH ASSISTANT, MINEING INSTITUTE,
MOSCOW, FROM NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE TO THIRTYEIGHT. [REDACTED]
STATED THAT THERE IS NO CHARACTERISTIC IN THE PHOTOGRAPH
OF ERCHOV FORWARDED BY REFERENCED MY AIRTEL AS WELL AS
THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFC. THAT COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED
[REDACTED] THE INFO CONCERNING ERCHOV WAS
NOT INCLUDED IN THE SIGNED STATEMENT DUE TO THE FACT THAT
THE STATEMENT WAS COMPLETED BEFORE ERCHOV WAS AGAIN DISCUSSED
WITH [REDACTED] ARE REPORTED ON. ON NOV. TEN,
INSTANT. THEY WILL BE OUT OF THE CITY FOR APPROXIMATELY
TWO WEEKS. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]. THE SIGNED STATEMENT AS WELL AS THE INFO

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CONCERNING NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV WILL BE INCORPORATED IN
A REPORT IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO
OBTAIN A SIGNED STATEMENT [REDACTED] AT A LATER DATE CONCERNING
[REDACTED] IDENTIFICATION OF ERCHOV. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AFTER THEY WERE RELEASED [REDACTED] SHOULD
NOT HAVE A COPY OF THE SIGNED STATEMENT COMPILED AT GREAT
LENGTH WITH THE INTERVIEWING AGENTS BEFORE THE ATTORNEY COMMENTED
TO LET [REDACTED] SIGN THE STATEMENT UNDER THIS SITUATION.

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa John; THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SABATINI's background, description, and photograph discussed with THOMAS L. BLACK without effective identification of unknown subject, wa John.

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DETAILS:

At Philadelphia, Pa.

In furtherance of an attempt to identify unknown subject, with alias John, who was a Soviet superior of THOMAS L. BLACK, self-admitted Soviet espionage agent during 1939-1940, background data and description of AMADEO SABATINI were discussed with BLACK. A photograph of SABATINI was also displayed to BLACK.

He advised that SABATINI's photograph bore no resemblance whatsoever to the "JOHN" he knew, stating that "JOHN" had a much thinner face, sharper features, more pronounced cheek bones, and generally different contours. Furthermore, BLACK stated SABATINI was not identical with any of BLACK's Soviet espionage superiors.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: NOVEMBER 30, 1953

FROM : SAC, BOSTON ([REDACTED]) b7d

SUBJECT: UNSUB, WA. JOHN; [REDACTED] b7d

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Reference is made to New York airtel dated October 28, 1953 wherein Boston is requested to forward to Chicago photographs for display to the informant of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, a Russian who attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

Boston files reflect that a photograph of ERCHOV was forwarded to the Philadelphia Office as an enclosure to the report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, in that case entitled UNSUB, WA. FRED; HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT, ESPIONAGE-R, dated February 4, 1953 at New York.

Enclosed herewith are four photographs of NICHOLAS NICHOLAS ERSHOV taken from the 1940 Yearbook at MIT.

This photograph is possibly identical with that forwarded by Boston to Philadelphia, which according to Philadelphia letter to Director dated November 5, 1953, was forwarded to the Chicago Office; however, in the event it is not identical, the photograph of ERSHOV obtained from MIT Yearbook of 1940 is being forwarded to Chicago.

Four photographs of ERSHOV are being retained in instant Boston file.

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CC: CHICAGO ([REDACTED]) (Encls. 4) b7d

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TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: DEC 11 1953

FROM : SAC, New York [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] JOHN: [REDACTED]

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Rerep of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated 12/11/53 at NY, entitled as above.

In view of [REDACTED] identification of
 NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV [REDACTED] UACB, future
 reports submitted in this case will be entitled, "NIKOLAI
 NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, ESPIONAGE - R".

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NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, with alias
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Chicago, and SA Walter P. Gavin dated 12-11-59, at New York.

In order to make available the information developed on Erchov to other interested Governmental agencies, you are requested to submit without undue delay a summary type report on Erchov suitably prepared for dissemination. This report should include the basis for the investigation; a brief documentation of [redacted] even though the [redacted] of Erchov, and the background information already available on Erchov. You will note that the report of SA Walter P. Gavin, referred to above, contains information on Erchov resulting from INS and State Department record checks, which information should be included in the requested report.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ELIZABETH BENTLEY failed to identify photograph of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV.

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DETAILS: AT GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA

On January 7, 1954, Miss ELIZABETH BENTLEY was interviewed at Grand Coteau, Louisiana, at which time a photograph of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV was displayed to her. She advised that she was not acquainted with this individual and could not identify his photograph and knew nothing concerning his background or activities.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated December 11, 1953, at New York.

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